

Program #50032A - Adult Gang and African American Program

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Department: Community Justice

Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program Program Offer Stage: As Proposed

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

High risk African American men and women returning to their communities from prison and placed on supervision are over represented in the criminal justice system. Lack of education, employment experience, supportive housing coupled with returning to communities that may present some of the same anti-social influences have a negative impact on successful reentry into the community.

Program Summary

This program addresses the needs of African American men and women who not only experience the stigma of having felony records but also experience the stigma attached to being African American in our society. The Department of Community Justice (DCJ) works with culturally responsive providers who have demonstrated effectiveness in improving outcomes for African American justice involved men and women who are 18 to 45 years of age in the areas of education, employment, cognitive behavioral therapy and family stability. This target population is under supervision with (DCJ) Adult Services Division African American Program and Gang Unit. Providers engage in cognitive behavior therapy, peer mentoring, parenting, employment and educational services designed to change the way people think and behave.

Cognitive interventions are a systematic approach that seeks to overcome difficulties by identifying and changing dysfunctional thinking, behavior and emotional responses. This involves helping individuals develop skills for modifying beliefs, identifying distorted thinking, relating to others in different ways, and changing behaviors. The provider utilizes mentors to assist clients with navigating complex systems such as education and employment. Mentoring helps adults establish stable lives by reducing the chaos brought about by poverty, homelessness, underemployment as well as the effects of incarceration. Gang members have shown an increased willingness to participate in programs that use mentors that have had similar life experiences as their own. The relationship that develops between the mentor and the gang member is a key factor for engaging with pro-social resources, relationships and behavior change.

Individuals assigned to this program are classified as high risk based on their scores by the Public Safety Checklist and the LSCMI. They are also identified prior to being released from prison as gang members based on an established set of criteria.

Performance Measures									
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY16 Actual	FY17 Purchased	FY17 Estimate	FY18 Offer				
Output	Number of adults served annually	494	450	450	450				
Outcome	Percent of adults convicted of a misd. or felony within 1 vear of supervision start date	21%	22%	22%	22%				

Performance Measures Descriptions

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2017	2017	2018	2018
Personnel	\$141,729	\$1,038,806	\$144,466	\$1,070,345
Contractual Services	\$123,822	\$205,960	\$133,203	\$209,053
Materials & Supplies	\$260	\$5,080	\$260	\$5,080
Internal Services	\$411	\$155,821	\$118	\$156,377
Total GF/non-GF	\$266,222	\$1,405,667	\$278,047	\$1,440,855
Program Total:	\$1,671,889		\$1,718,902	
Program FTE	1.00	8.00	1.00	8.00

Program Revenues								
Indirect for Dept. Admin	\$128,397	\$0	\$127,585	\$0				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$1,405,667	\$0	\$1,440,855				
Total Revenue	\$128,397	\$1,405,667	\$127,585	\$1,440,855				

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund plus \$1,440,855 funding from State Department of Corrections (DOC) SB1145. This is a 51% allocation for the first year of the 2017-2019 state biennial budget.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2017: 50032 Adult Gang and African American Program